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SPIRIT OF REBELLION GROWS IN HUNGARY AND POLAND

BLACKMAIL GANG BELIEVED TO BE EXPOSED IN ARREST LAST SATURDAY BY WIT OF WOMAN

Detective Department Charges Tom Saffery With Extortion and Will Turn Him Over to Federal Officials—Accused of Victimizing Frightened Women at Night

Organized blackmail through a gang of bold ruffians operating at night is believed by the police to have been exposed and the ringleader caught on Saturday afternoon.

The arrest of Tom Saffery, clerk for a local draying company, on Saturday afternoon, as the result of a woman's quick wit and courage is expected to stop the operations of the gang in victimizing innocent men and women frightened into the belief that they are to be made the center of sensational notoriety.

Saffery was charged with extortion and his case was to have come up today in police court but was continued until Friday when he asked for time to secure an attorney.

In the meantime Captain of Detectives McDuffie has laid the case before City Attorney Brown and is to make a full report on it to U. S. Attorney Huber. It is probable, McDuffie said today, that the local prosecution will be dropped and Saffery will be turned over to the federal authorities on the charge of impersonating a federal officer. This is one of the accusations against him.

For weeks the police have been getting occasional reports that the blackmailing gang was at work, principally along the beach roads. Their method, as McDuffie told it this morning, was simple and bold in the extreme, but they relied on the fact that their victims invariably shrunk from the unwelcome publicity that would follow an attempt to expose the unscrupulous operators. It has been impossible heretofore, says McDuffie, to get evidence on any man or men.

The alleged blackmailers would watch for parties, usually in autos, which included married women or married men. They would trail such parties to the homes of the men or women—usually women were the victims—and wait an opportunity to present their extortionate demands. At this opportunity, finding the woman alone, for instance, one of the gang would approach her and tell her that she had been watched by officers of the law and they had compromising evidence against her, and that she was to be arrested and prosecuted.

No matter how entirely innocent the victim might be, such an accusation usually accomplished its object. The

China Rushes New Ministry; U. S. Note Aids

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—The U. S. state department today felt increased confidence over the situation in China. The legation at Peking reports that the note from President Wilson, urging the Chinese to compose their internal dissensions and uphold the republic, has had a beneficial effect.

A new ministry has been formed, and the reconstruction of the government is proceeding at a rapid rate.

The Chinese legation here had despatches today from Peking that Li Ching-shi has accepted the premiership, believing that the opposing factions are reconciled. Admiral Sah Chienping has been named minister of the navy and General Wang Shih Chen minister of war.

The policy of China toward Germany will not be changed, pending the elections, of which the results will not be known for several months.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

	Today	Saturday
Alaska Gold	108 1/2	108 1/2
American Smelter	108 1/2	108 1/2
American Sugar	120 1/2	120 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	120 1/2	120 1/2
Anacostia Copper	85 1/2	85 1/2
Atchafalpa	101 1/2	101 1/2
Baldwin Loco.	73 1/2	73 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	74 1/2	74 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	41 1/2	41 1/2
Calif. Petroleum	20 1/2	20 1/2
Canadian Pacific	161 1/2	161 1/2
Chas. & St. P. (St. Paul)	75 1/2	75 1/2
Colo. Fuel & Iron	53 1/2	53 1/2
Cruible Steel	88 1/2	88 1/2
Erie Common	26 1/2	26 1/2
General Electric	162 1/2	160 1/2
General Motors, New	119 1/2	119 1/2
Great Northern Pfd.	107 1/2	107 1/2
Inter. Harv. N. A.	45 1/2	45 1/2
Kennecott Copper	60 1/2	60 1/2
Lehigh R. R.	96 1/2	96 1/2
New York Central	53 1/2	53 1/2
Pennsylvania	53 1/2	53 1/2
Ray Consol.	28 1/2	28 1/2
Reading Common	98 1/2	97 1/2
Southern Pacific	94 1/2	94 1/2
Studebaker	82 1/2	84 1/2
Texas Oil	215 1/2	215 1/2
Union Pacific	138 1/2	137 1/2
U. S. Steel	130 1/2	130 1/2
Utah	110 1/2	111 1/2
Western Union	92 1/2	92 1/2
Westinghouse	52 1/2	52 1/2

LAND SECURED FOR PROPOSED CIVIC CENTER

Territory Pays Bishop Estate \$5000 for 9285 Square Feet

Through the purchase by the territory of 9285 square feet from the Bishop estate on Punchbowl and King streets walk of the present judicial building, one more step toward the fruition of the proposed civic center in the vicinity of the territorial group has been taken.

This was the statement today at the land office in regard to a \$5000 sale on June 19, which gives the territory a 95-foot frontage on King street in the vicinity of the Ables garage.

On January 29, 1916, according to files at the land office, the Bishop estate wrote to the territory giving an option on the land, and option to expire on July 1 of this year.

While the value of the land as placed by the Oahu board of appraisers was \$7253.75, the territory secured it for \$5000.

Other pieces of land which the territory hopes to secure in the opening up of the civic center section are appraised as follows: Seattle & Cooke, \$46,000; J. B. Atherton estate, \$26,000; Allen & Robinson, \$14,907; Long estate, \$17,678. Total approximately \$106,640.

Still another step in the civic center idea will be made on July 2 when the Esplanade lots are offered for sale at auction at an upset price of \$90,000.

While it has been generally supposed that the Hawaiian Electric Company, Limited, adjoining the lots, would be the only bidders, Walter A. Engle, acting commissioner of public lands, stated today that another party has made inquiry about the lands and that tracings from the office have been issued to him.

The Hawaiian Electric Company has already offered \$30,000 for the land, this being the standard on which the land board at a recent meeting figured the upset price. The sale will be the biggest made for a long time by the territorial office, and it is understood that the money from the land will go toward the purchase of other holdings on King street.

DEMOCRATS IN PARTY ORGANIZATION BEGIN "DRIVE" ON THE GOVERNORSHIP

Indorsement of McCandless and Bryan is First Open Move to Block Reappointment of Pinkham—Huber and Trent Support Resolution on Ground That it is Action by Party Representatives

A Democratic "drive" to block the reappointment of Governor L. E. Pinkham, and secure another as executive, was launched Saturday afternoon at the party luncheon in the skating rink, Fort Street.

By unanimous acclaim the 1500 or more Democrats present adopted a resolution, passed at a meeting of the territorial committee on June 14, naming L. L. McCandless and Prof. W. A. Bryan as being equally favorable to the Bourbons for appointment as governor.

The resolution was read by U. S. Attorney S. C. Huber and copies will be forwarded to the President and other proper officials in Washington, D. C.

As a forerunner of this resolution the central committee on June 16 sent President Wilson the following telegram: "Democratic territorial central committee unanimously indorses L. L. McCandless and Prof. W. A. Bryan for governor. Either entirely satisfactory to party."

District Attorney Huber said today there was no special significance in his reading of the resolution. He said that at the luncheon he had made the statement that the President and the secretary of the interior are anxious to know the will of the people of Hawaii as regards the appointment of a governor. He says he has not been asked by Washington to report on this situation, nor has he made any report to Attorney General Gregory, his own chief.

Huber Explains Position

"I believe as thoroughly in organized politics as in organized business."

NATIONAL GUARDSMAN GETS JAIL SENTENCE FOR INSUBORDINATION

Under sentence of 25 days at hard labor for insubordination, John Leventhal, member of Company D, Hawaii National Guard, was arrested today by the police department on a warrant from the national guard department. Leventhal's offense was insubordination. Some two months ago he spent 10 days at hard labor on a similar charge and when he was freed forgot to report for drill. When he showed up the next time and was asked for an explanation he grew insolent to his superior officer. Court martial sentence was approved June 21.

Slayer Says Girl Victim Lured Him

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

BOLOGNA, Italy, June 25.—Alfredo Cocchi, confessed slayer of little Ruth Cruger of New York, told the police today a strange story regarding the murder.

"I never say the Cruger girl until she brought in her skates to be sharpened," he declared. "She did all in her power to attract attention. When she came for the skates her attraction for me was overpowering. After that everything was like a dream. I did not intend to kill her."

T.K.K. MAY LOSE SHIP SUBSIDY

(Special Cable to Nippon-Fiji)

TOKYO, Japan, June 25.—The Japanese government has decided to suspend the subsidy for steamship lines. According to the administration, the steamship companies have made much money during the past few years, and it is believed that the subsidy is not needed.

Inasmuch as the governmental party has a majority in parliament it is believed the bill will be passed. The T. K. K., N. Y. K. and O. S. K. will be affected by this law if passed. Whether or not this will mean a raise in freight rates cannot be told at this time. The N. Y. K. has a line to Europe, while the other two lines have steamers plying between Japan, Honolulu and San Francisco.

NATIONAL BANK CALL ISSUED AS OF JUNE 20

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—The national bank call was issued today as of June 20.

SHIP CONTRACTS LET

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—Contracts for ten steel and four wooden merchant vessels and 20 wooden hulls were let today by Major Gen. George W. Goethals, for delivery in 1918.

LATE NEWS AT A GLANCE

RED CROSS FUND NOW TOTALS \$22,516
At 2:30 this afternoon Chairman E. D. Tenney of the War Relief Committee of Hawaii announced the total amount of contributions made by Honolulu to the American Red Cross since the one week campaign began last Thursday, to be \$20,316, with the \$2200 on hand at the beginning makes the grand total of \$22,516. Of this amount, \$13,825 was contributed by 10 corporations, \$750 by two firms, and \$5471 by 45 individuals. This Chairman Tenney to hope that citizens will in the next few days contribute more freely.

DISEASE ON KAUAI IS NOT ANTHRAX
The disease which killed a sheep at Kealia, Kauai, last week was not anthrax, according to a wireless message received this afternoon from Dr. Leonard N. Case, assistant territorial veterinarian. The message was sent from Lihue. One sheep from a flock of 150 died the middle of last week from a disease thought at first to be anthrax.

BIDS ON FURNISHING FOOD TO LEOPERS OPENED
Bids for furnishing pig, or hard poi, hides and beef to the Molekai settlement were opened at the office of the board of health today as follows: Palai, Wong Nim, 90 cents a bundle of 25 pounds; hides, Hawaii Meat Co., \$0.195 a pound; beef, American Sugar Co., 6 1/2 cents a pound. No contracts have been awarded.

CHINESE DEBTOR MUST PAY \$11,786.
In the case of Leong Lum et al, against Lee Wai, an action for the recovery of an alleged debt, a jury in Circuit Judge Kemp's court this afternoon found for the plaintiffs in the sum of \$11,786.

ALLIES URGED TO FORCE NEUTRAL SHIPS TO ACCEPT CHARTERS
(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service.)
BORNEO, Borneo, June 25.—More than a million tons of neutral shipping are idle in harbors of various of the belligerent nations, according to Senator Cimfelli, member of the Italian mission visiting the United States. He says that the owners of the vessels are greedily awaiting higher charter rates before signing up for commerce, and suggests that the Allies impose confiscatory port duties in order to drive into active work these now idle ships.

GREECE MAY FORM COALITION MINISTRY
ATHENS, Greece, June 25.—Senator Jonnart of France is arbitrating ministerial difficulties in an effort to effect a coalition between the Venizelos and Zaimis elements.

AMERICAN PASSENGER VESSEL FIGHTS OFF SUBMARINE
AN ENGLISH PORT, June 25.—Arriving from the war-zone today, an American passenger vessel brings news that an American naval gun crew successfully fought off a submarine, the submarine firing a torpedo which missed the ship only 20 feet.

KING CONSTANTINE BUYS PALACE IN SWITZERLAND
AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, June 25.—News from Switzerland today says that King Constantine, late king of Greece, has bought the magnificent Chateau Chantreuse at Thun, Switzerland.

RUSSIA'S GREATEST WAR NEED IS LOCOMOTIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—News received by Washington from Moscow through the Russian mission is that the Russians need locomotives more than anything else. A thousand locomotives are wanted immediately. If they can be secured, say the Russian emissaries, military success will follow.

ACCUSED OF LIQUOR SALES IS GIVEN CHANCE TO LEAVE
Katie Lee, who was arrested Saturday night by the police on a charge of selling liquor to soldiers, and who was turned over to the federal officials today, is not to be arrested by the latter authorities. It was announced this afternoon. It is understood the woman will be given a chance to leave the territory next Thursday. Seventeen bottles of beer were taken as evidence when the woman was arrested.

BRITISH STEAMER SUBMARINED; THREE ARE LOST
MONTREAL, Canada, June 25.—The agents here learned today that the British ship Ortolan has been sunk by a submarine, three of the crew being lost.

PACIFIC SAILING VESSEL FLEES TO HARBOR, AFIRE
ASTORIA, Oregon, June 25.—The schooner Margaret, which was bound for China, has returned to this port with a fire in the hold which the crew could not extinguish.

MILITIA FIELD BATTERIES NEEDED AT FEDERAL CAMPS
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—The war department today notified the various state national guard organizations which have field batteries that the batteries will be required at the various officers' training camps for training artillerymen.

RUSSIA OUTPOST TERRITORY ASKS INDEPENDENCE
TIFLIS, Trans-Caucasia, June 25.—A congress of representatives from the Russian territories of Georgia and Trans-Caucasia has passed a resolution asking for autonomy.

REGISTRATION IN HAWAII EXPECTED BEFORE JUNE 30

That the attorney general's office in Washington, D. C., had expected that registration in Hawaii for military service would be held some day this month, is intimated in instructions to Marshal J. J. Smiddy to have the arrests of all "slackers" completed by June 30, the end of the fiscal year, if possible.

The marshal also was requested to complete by the end of this month the arrest of all German aliens who had failed to register or secure permits to reside or do business in the local restricted areas, or who had failed to turn in all firearms as required under an order received here some weeks ago.

Marshal Smiddy anticipates little, if any trouble, as regards the registration of German aliens, and the surrendering of firearms.

More than 150 permits have been issued to date, and it is believed that practically all firearms have been collected.

EMBARGO COUNCIL CREATED

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CZECH REGIMENTS DESERT TO RUSSIANS; WARSAW STUDENTS STRIKE FOLLOWING DISORDER

WAR FRONTS COMPARATIVELY QUIET — WASHINGTON PUSHES FOOD CONTROL BILL AS WAR-MEASURE — SENATE TO RUSH LEGISLATION URGED BY PRESIDENT

(Associated Press by U. S. Naval Communication Service.)
AMSTERDAM, Netherlands, June 25.—Copies of the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger received here say that Hungary is rebellious against the Central Powers. Czech regiments are deserting by wholesale, going over to the side of the Russians.

BERLIN, Germany, June 25.—Governor-General von Beserler, military ruler of Poland under the German system, has closed the University of Warsaw because of outbreaks there. A strike of students has followed a row in which several of the students were arrested.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25.—Arrangements were made by the senate today to rush through the food control bill and get it to conference, if it is changed from the form passed by the house, or into the president's hands at once if there is no change.

The president has let it be known that he is anxious for the bill to pass. He believes that the government should now have the power of controlling the distribution and sale of food in the country.

Herbert C. Hoover, the "food dictator," is ready to begin administration of the law when it is passed and urges that the country prepare itself for discipline in the matter of food consumption.

War Front Quiet; French Hold Fast

The Associated Press summary of today's developments in the war-zone says:

"The British front was active principally with raiding parties today."

"There is a lull along the Aisne line."

"The French front has remained intact at Vaux Aillon, despite the bloody attempts of the German crown prince to batter in the positions with the weight of men and guns."

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, June 25.—Recent rainfall is aiding Germany's crops, which have been burning up under a fierce midsummer sun, according to news received here. Much damage was done by the heat and by fires.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, June 25.—A British steamer arriving here today brings news of a successful fight with a submarine. The naval gun crew on the British vessel sent their shells home on the submarine's hull at a range of five miles, the shells penetrating to the magazine. An explosion followed and the attacking diver sunk. The fight took place 400 miles from Ireland.

NEW YORK, N. Y., June 25.—The schooner Rebecca Palmer, damaged by shells from a submarine in Irish waters, was laid up here today.

More Sinn Fein Rioting Breaks Out

CORK, Ireland, June 25.—Riots took place here today in which several were killed and a dozen wounded, the Sinn Feiners making the disturbance. The police were helpless and troops were called out to quell the disorders.

BROUSSARD URGES HAWAII'S SUGAR INTERESTS TO POOL WITH LOUISIANA

By C. S. ALBERT

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—Sugar producers of Hawaii are urged to cooperate with those of Louisiana in all matters relating to the product and the pending revenue bill. It is held that their interests are identical in the long run.

This is the advice of Senator Broussard, who is leading the fight to obtain the last degree of protection for cane growers. He is confident of success, but realizes that the fight is not yet won. His success in suspending the "drawback" provision of the Underwood-Simmons act has created a sanguine feeling. The fight is now being concentrated on the excise tax feature. It is contended that a limitation of its application to bone-black sugar would be satisfactory all around. If this limitation cannot be secured Senator Broussard has a last card up his sleeve. He will not spring this until the favorable moment arrives.

It is the plan of Senator Broussard to offer another amendment, classifying the excise tax. This will not be done unless the bone-black amendment finally is rejected.

It is proposed to divide the excise levy into four taxes. The excise tax on domino and lump sugars would be raised to one cent on bone-black refined sugars to three-fourths of one cent; leave the tax on washed sugar at one-half cent; and impose a tax of one-fourth cent on molasses sugars, or second and thirds.

If it is found impossible to carry

committee and the senate, it is the confident opinion of those friendly to sugar that the house will eliminate the entire plan added to the revenue bill by the senate, carrying with it not only the excise tax on sugar but that on coffee and tea. This would leave nothing of the senate changes except suspension of the drawback provision of existing law. It is believed on all sides that this will remain a part of the new bill.

The Hawaiian band will give a public band concert in Emma's